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From: Furfaro, Cindy

Sent: Monday, February 24, 2014 2:33 PM

To: Clerks@vaughan.ca

**Subject:** FW: Supporting the development plans for Carrville District Centre

## Communication for Public Hearing:

From: Alexander Levin [mailto:sashele@ml1.net] Sent: Monday, February 24, 2014 11:45 AM

To: Racco, Sandra

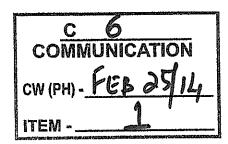
Cc: <u>DevelopmentPlanning@vaughan.ca</u>

Subject: Supporting the development plans for Carrville District Centre

Dear Sandra,

My name is Alexander Levin, I am a resident and a property owner on Santa Amato Crescent, having purchased my house first hand from the builder and having been living in the area since it was built.

- 1) I am writing to you to express my support for the development plans for Carrville District Centre in general, and for the density increase and for high-rise residential development in particular. I am very excited from the perspective of experiencing city life in the walking distance from my doorstep. With the increasing population and tax base, I expect to enjoy significant increase in available services in the area and access to variety of business that will move in. Also, my expectation is that turning a suburb into a city will boost the property values in the area. This is a great plan! Thanks a lot!
- 2) Yesterday, I was unpleasantly surprised to find an anonymous letter on my porch, calling the residents of the neigbourhood to protest the planned development of a high rise condominium on the southeast corner of Dufferin and Rutherford, on the other side of the stripe of the woodland behind my backyard. In particular, the authors of the letter called the residents to sign a petition against this development, as well as to come to protest this development on tomorrow's (February 25) public meeting for file numbers OP.13.015, Z.13.043 & 19T-13V010.
- The authors of the letter apparently overlooked the fact the public meeting is intended to consider zoning amendments on the northwest corner of Dufferin and Rutherford, while they are trying to protest the development on the southeast corner of the same intersection.
- One of the main claims of the authors of the letter was that "natural landscape and access to sunlight will be deteriorated as a result of huge shadowing from high rise building". This claim fails to take into account the basic geography of the place. The proposed high rise building will be located to the nortwest of our neighbourhood, and in the northern hemisphere the sun never shines from the northwest. Therefore, our neighbourhood is not going to be affected by the shadow at all. The shadow from the building will fall on Dufferin street in the morning and on Rutherford in the afternoon, but never on Santa Amato. Therefore, this claim of the authors of the letter is baseless and incorrect.
- Please rest assured that whoever the authors of the letter are, they do not represent the whole population of our neighbourhood.



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3) From my side, I would like to ask for your particular attention to the issue of the public transportation in the area. With the influx of population in Carrville District Centre, we will have an urgent need for rapid, frequent and reliable bus service in Dufferin/Rutherford area, particularly for the bus link to the subway, including evenings and weekends. From my personal experience as daily commuter to Downsview subway station, I can tell you that the existing bus service provided by TTC bus #105 is insufficient. Whenever I miss the bus in the evening (and this can easily happen because of unpredictable delays on the subway), I have to wait for half an hour for the next bus to come, while I am tired and longing to catch just a little bit of time with my kids at home. This is simply painful. Please remember to take this issue into account.

Best regards, Alexander Levin

Resident and property owner - 56 Santa Amato Crescent, Vaughan, L4J 0E9